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## HOUSE BILL 3856 By Buck

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 8, Chapter 30, relative to civil service.

## BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 8-30-303, is amended by deleting such section in its entirety and by substituting instead the following:

Section 8-30-303. (a) The commissioner shall give public notice of each entrance test, at least two (2) weeks in advance of such test, by posting a notice thereof on a bulletin board maintained in or near the office of the department. The commissioner shall also give public notice of each entrance test, at least two (2) weeks in advance of such test, by providing a notice thereof to the student placement office at each public or private institution of higher learning located within the state. The commissioner shall also give public notice of each entrance test, at least two (2) weeks in advance of such test, by providing a notice thereof on the department's web site. The commissioner shall give public notice of each promotion test, at least two (2) weeks in advance of such test, by posting a notice thereof on such bulletin board and in such other manner as the commissioner considers appropriate to furnish information thereof to employees who are eligible for admission to such test.

(b) Each such notice of a test shall state the duties and pay of positions of the class for which the test is to be held, the qualifications required therefore, the proposed time, place and manner of making application for admission to such test, and any other information which the commissioner considers pertinent and useful.

- (c) (1) The commissioner may also advertise tests in professional and trade publications, post notices thereof in schools and colleges, and employ any other methods of publicizing tests which the commissioner considers appropriate.
- (2) With regard to any funding allocated by the department to advertise tests in newspapers of general circulation in counties having a population greater than two hundred fifty thousand (250,000) according to the 1990 federal census or any subsequent federal census, at least twenty-five percent (25%) of such funding shall be allocated to advertise such tests in newspapers published primarily for distribution in the African-American communities within such counties.
- (d) All promotion tests or entrance tests administered by the department, the total bank of questions from which such tests were developed and the answers thereto, shall be confidential when and for so long as is necessary to protect the integrity of the tests.

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 8-30-306(a)(1), is amended by deleting the language "or Operation Desert Storm" and by substituting instead the language "Operation Desert Storm, Operation Iraqi Freedom, or Operation Enduring Freedom".

SECTION 3. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 8-30-306(a)(4), is amended by deleting the language "or Operation Desert Storm" and by substituting instead the language "Operation Desert Storm, Operation Iraqi Freedom, or Operation Enduring Freedom".

SECTION 4. This act shall take effect July 1, 2006, the public welfare requiring it.

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